

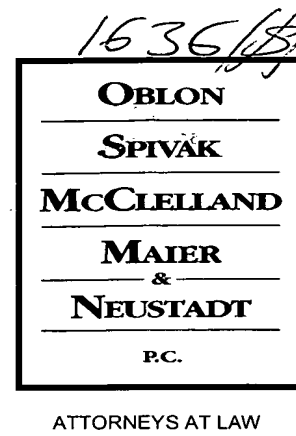
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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (ONE MONTH); AMENDMENT (ATTACHED:  
SUBSTITUTE SPECIFICATION, D1 (U.S. 5,846,790), D2 (EP 0670370B1), D3 (ESCHERICHIA  
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